

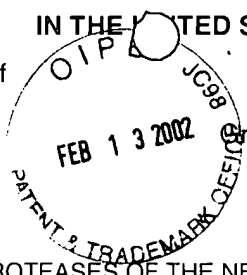
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In re Application of

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Serial No. 09/913,329



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Filed: August 21, 2001

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Title: NEW METALLOPROTEASES OF THE NEPRILYSIN FAMILY

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CORRECTION OF ERROR IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

Fees are attached as calculated below:

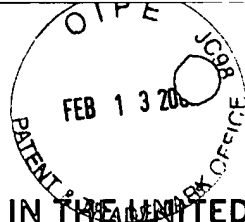
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previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0 x \$ 18.00	\$ 0.00
Independent claims after amendment	0	minus highest number		
previously paid for	3	(at least 3) =	0 x \$ 84.00	\$ 0.00
If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper)				\$ 0.00
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months)				\$ 0.00
Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00				\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00)				\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Please enter the previously unentered , filed				
<input type="checkbox"/> Submission attached				
			Subtotal	\$ 0.00
If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract				-\$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims "small entity" status. <input type="checkbox"/> Statement filed herewith				
Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00)				\$ 0.00
Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00)				\$ 0.00
Other: Fee deficiency				987.00
			TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED	\$ 987.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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It has been discovered that the small entity status of the present application as filed was inadvertently established in error. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c), the Applicants hereby request that the error be excused and submit herewith the deficiency payment as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c)(2).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c)(2)(ii), the total deficiency payment is itemized as follows:

- (A) the filing fee and claims fee were erroneously paid as a small entity; the correct fee (large entity) based on current rates is \$1914.00;
- (B) the small entity fee actually paid was \$927;
- (C) the deficiency owed amount is \$987.00; and
- (D) the total deficiency payment owed is \$987.00.

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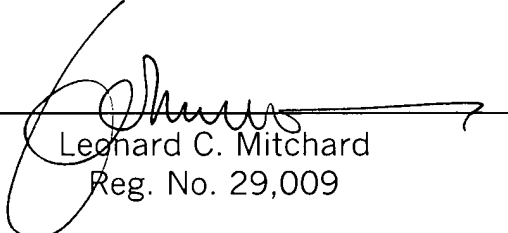
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A check in the amount of \$987.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees presented herewith, or to credit any overpayment, to our **Deposit Account No. 14-1140**.

Respectfully submitted,

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